(d) whether Government of India give any assurance to the concerned countries about the punishment to be given to the alleged accused; if so, the nature of such commitment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) As per available information, the persons connected with Punjab crisis who have been extradited/deported to India are: Devinder Pal Singh Bhullar, Daya Singh Lahoria, Ranjit Singh, Sukhwinder Singh, Harpal Singh Cheema, Kulbir Singh Barapind, Kamaljeet Kaur and Gurbachan Singh.

(b) As per available information, 3 such persons have been convicted and one person has been acquitted.

(c) Continuous efforts are made to get the remaining persons whose locations are known, extradited/deported to India.

(d) the Government has not given any such assurance in respect of the persons deported/extradited to India as mentioned in reply to Part (a) above.

Disparity in pay-scales

†958. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an anomaly has occurred in the pay scales of Translators/ Assistant Director (official language) of the Central Secretariat official in Language service and the Hindi Translator/Assistant Directors of the subordinate offices has arisen by the Ministry's office order No. 13/6/2006 O.L. (service) dated 02.04.2004;

(b) whether the fourth and fifth Central Pay Commission had recommended to remove the disparity in the pay scales of the employees working on the same posts and doing the same work; and

(c) if so, action being taken to remove the anomaly that has occurred in their pay scales?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) Orders relating to pay scales of Junior Translators/Senior Translators and Assistant Directors of the Central Secretariat Official Language Service were issued *vide* Ministry's Office Order No. 13/6/2002-O.L. (Service), dated 5.4.2004. These pay scales

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are not applicable to Hindi personnel of subordinate offices, which are not included in the Central Secretariat Official Language Service.

(b) The Fourth and Fifth Pay Commissions have not made any specific recommendation relating to pay scales of employees working on the same posts and doing the same work.

(c) The Central Secretariat Official Language Service and the sanctioned posts in the subordinate offices are of different nature and thus they have different types of pay scales. Therefore, there is no anomaly in their pay scales.

Unclaimed amount of EPF deposits

†959. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some deposits in Employee's Provident Fund Organisation do not have any claimant;

(b) if so, the amount of such deposits;

(c) the rules in regard to usage of this amount; and

(d) whether such unclaimed amount has been used elsewhere earlier, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The total amount of inoperative account lying in Unclaimed Deposit Account as defined under para 72(6) of the Employee's Provident Fund Scheme, 1952 was Rs. 877.76 crore as on 31.3.2005.

(c) The amount lying in the Unclaimed Deposit Account cannot be used for any purpose other than for payment to be made to the rightful claimant/ legal heir/nominee.

(d) No, Sir.

National Skills Mission

960. DR. NARAYAN SINGH MANAKLAO: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that National Skills Mission is being proposed to be constituted;

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